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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Christopher Haywood, et al.
Application No. : 09/154,966
Filed : September 17, 1998
Title : DEDICATED BANDWIDTH DATA COMMUNICATION SWITCH
BACKPLANE

Grp./Div. : 2665
Examiner : Steven H.D. Nguyen

Docket No. : 39892/JEC/X2/111480

DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.47

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June 23, 2003

Commissioner:

I, Josephine E. Chang, hereby declare as follows:

1. I am the attorney of record for Alcatel, assignee of the entire interest in and to the above-identified U.S. patent application.
2. On May 21, 2003, I caused a copy of the Declaration of Christopher Haywood, along with a letter dated on May 21, 2003, to be deposited with the United States Postal Service, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to Mr. Haywood at his last known residence address. A true and correct copy of the May 21, 2003, letter and the Declaration are attached hereto as Exhibits A and B, respectively.
3. The letter requested Mr. Haywood to execute the Declaration and return it to us in a postage prepaid Federal Express envelope by no later than June 17, 2003.
4. The letter and the Declaration were delivered to Mr. Haywood on May 22, 2003, as indicated in the return receipt postcard that was returned to us upon delivery of the envelope. A true and correct copy of the return receipt postcard is attached hereto as Exhibit C.

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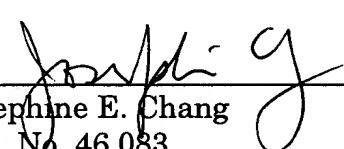
5. As of the date of this Declaration, I have not received the executed Declaration from Mr. Haywood.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

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